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Country: Poland

Subject: Officer Pilot School at Deblin

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1. The one year course is still in effect at the Officer Pilot School in Deblin (L51), where the staff consists of forty Soviet and twenty Polish officers. Half of the course is theoretical and half practical on completing it, students are sent to airfields at Locayca (G77), Modlin (K71) and Radom (J19). [redacted] The course [redacted] a superficial one, with too much emphasis placed on the political lectures, which are given thrice weekly. The subjects of these lectures include the familiar ones of the necessity for Soviet-Polish unity, the U.S.S.R. as the sole guarantor of Poland's western border, the evils of British colonial and American Negro problems, and similar topics.

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2. The school staff includes the following personalities:

Soviet

"Brigade" General Josef Szars: Commanding officer; born in Lublin county, then Russia, but lived in the U.S.S.R. between 1920-1944; more fluent in Russian than in Polish.

Colonel Semyonilov: Chief of Staff; fifty years old; member of the Communist Party.

Lt. Col. Alexander: Chief of the theoretical and practical instruction; fifty years old. On his staff are six Soviet majors, four Soviet captains, two Soviet first lieutenants, and three Polish officers (latter three grades not reported). [redacted] officers up to first lieutenant are Poles.

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Lt. Col. Kuznetsov: 2nd Deputy Chief of Staff; 45 years old.

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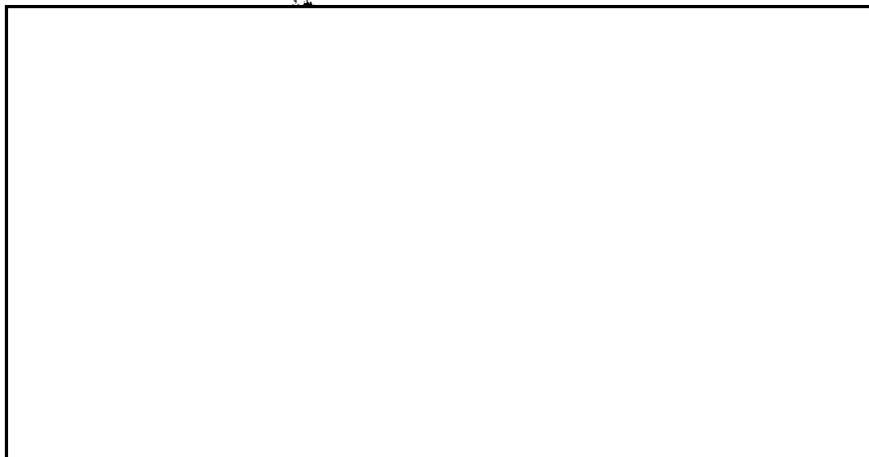
Notes:

1st Lt. Kikuchi. First Deputy Chief of Staff; forty years old; ordant Commander. Promoted from captain to major in October 1946 and to present grade in February 1946.

1st Lt. Sakai. Chief of the signal battalion.

1st Lt. Sakai and Kikuchi of the propaganda section.

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